INTERVIEW PERFORMANCE EVALUATION

Proposition 50 Chapter 8 Integrated Regional Water Management (IRWM) Supplemental Funding Grant Program, July 2010

Applicant North Coast IRWM **Amount Requested** \$3,699,339

Proposal North Coast Integrated Coastal Watershed

Title Management, Project Implementation,

Phase II

Recommended

Total Proposal Cost

Award \$2,176,860

\$4,706,510

Proposal Summary

The proposal presents four high priority Integrated Coastal Watershed Management Plan projects: 1) Salmon Creek Sediment and Water Conservation, Phase II, 2) Forsythe Creek Sediment Reduction Project, Phase II, 3) Big River Main Haul Road Restoration, Phase II, and 4) Mattole Integrated Coastal Watershed Management Program, Phase II. These projects eliminate or significantly reduce pollution in impaired waters and sensitive habitat areas, including Areas of Special Biological Significance, Critical Coastal Areas, and Marine Protected Areas. All projects would reduce the amount of sediment reaching impaired and sensitive water bodies in the North Coast region. By controlling sediment erosion from roads, stream crossings, and other sources, the proposed projects' sediment control activities would improve water quality and enhance beneficial uses identified by the North Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board for these impaired water bodies. By reducing sediment loading to streams, each of the projects would yield ecological and economic benefits.

Presentation/Interview Score (based on criteria and standard presented in Table 2 of PSP)

Element	1 (a) - Concept Project Proposal Overview	1 (b) - Benefits & Technical Feasibility	1 (c) - Need & Consequences	2 - Question & Answers	Total (Max possible score=50)
Score	4	12	12	15	43

Evaluation Summary

Element 1 (a): Concept Project Proposal Overview

The proposal's overview was clear and gave a good summary of the overall proposal. However, some of the individual project tasks were not clearly explained. For example, it was unclear on the specific work to be completed to benefit the Town of Bodega as part of the Salmon Creek Sediment and Water Conservation, Phase II project.

Element 1 (b): Benefit and Technical Feasibility

The technical feasibility and benefit of all projects was clearly demonstrated. Proposal's benefit is mainly water quality improvements to assist in the recovery of salmonid. The proposal also includes a water supply benefit to the Town of Bodega, a Disadvantaged Community. Furthermore, dry season pumping would be reduced by this project. However, the connection of the noxious weed abatement portion of the Mattole project to water management could have been better demonstrated.

Element 1 (c): Need and Consequences

The proposal's need for supplemental funding was clearly demonstrated. The consequences of not funding the proposal would most likely have a negative impact on the region's effort to sustain and recover its salmonid population. In addition, as all of the creeks and rivers associated with these projects are impaired, a clear need was identified.

Element 2: Question and Answers

The applicant's answers to the standard questions were concise, clear, and adequate. The applicant's answers affirmed they met the essence of IRWM when developing, vetting, and ultimately proposing multi-benefit projects.